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ESTIMATES FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

TRANSMITTING

*Estimates for deficiencies in appropriations for the fiscal year ending
June 30, 1883, and prior years.*

JANUARY 26, 1883.—Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
January 24, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the estimates of appropriations required by the various departments to complete the service of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883, and prior years, amounting to \$1,504,003.38.

Very respectfully,

CHAS. J. FOLGER,
Secretary.

Hon. J. WARREN KEIFER,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the expenditures.	References to Statutes at Large, or to Revised Statutes.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.			
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STATE DEPARTMENT.											
Contingent expenses, Department of State.	To reimburse the disbursing clerk, Department of State, for expenditures made by him on account of fuel, \$891.60, and miscellaneous items, \$528.31, being on account of the service of the fiscal year 1882.	Appropriated.	21	391	1	} -----	\$1,419 91	\$12,100 00			
		do	22	257	1						
FOREIGN INTERCOURSE.											
Contingent expenses, foreign missions.	To meet expenses incurred by W. H. Edwards, late consul-general at St. Petersburg, during the illness of the minister of the United States to Russia, in the month of March, 1879.	Appropriated.	20	92	1	-----	226 00	80,000 00			
Contingent expenses, United States consulates.	To pay drafts drawn on the Secretary of State by consular officers on account of contingent expenses of United States consulates, as follows, being for the service of the fiscal year, 1880:	Appropriated.	20	273	1	\$709 89 20 40 124 32 95 04 19 53	969 18	144,511 75			
		do	21	415	1						
	O. N. Drury, Shanghai	-----	-----	-----	-----						
	E. W. Welch, Cairara	-----	-----	-----	-----						
	S. C. Montjoy, Lambayeque	-----	-----	-----	-----						
	Do	-----	-----	-----	-----						
	George Gifford, Nantes	-----	-----	-----	-----						
	To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of contingent expenses of United States consulates, being deficiencies, as follows:	-----	-----	-----	-----				-----	-----	-----
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	Salaries of consular officers not citizens.	For the fiscal year 1882	Appropriated	21	345				1	-----	16,983 19
For the fiscal year 1881		{ Appropriated	21	140	1	{ -----	154 34	138,836 78			
		do	22	258	1						
For the fiscal year 1881		Appropriated	21	344	1	-----	-----	-----			
To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of salaries of consular officers not citizens of the United States, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882:		-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----			
		J. Hutchinson, vice-consul at Funchal	-----	-----	-----	-----	49 00	-----	-----		
		P. G. Barff, vice-consul at Naples	-----	-----	-----	-----	154 53	-----	-----		
		J. Dittman, vice-consul at Stettin	-----	-----	-----	-----	123 88	-----	-----		
		-----	-----	-----	-----	827 41	5,000 00				

	<p>NOTE.—Although an appropriation of the amounts asked for the above items, \$16,983.19, \$154.34, and \$327.41, under Foreign Inter-course, will create an apparent expenditure on the books of the department, it will involve the payment of no money from the Treasury, being required only to reimburse the account for consular fees.</p>								
Annual expenses of Cape Spartel Light.	To pay amount found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of annual expenses of Cape Spartel Light, coast of Morocco, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882.	Appropriated	21	345	1	.....	15 00	285 00	
	Total State Department.....						20,095 03	515,733 53	
	TREASURY DEPARTMENT.								
	MINTS AND ASSAY OFFICES.								
Contingent expenses, mint at Philadelphia.	To pay amount due the Philadelphia Sun and Item for advertising, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1882.	Appropriated.	21	399	1	.....	16 00	100,000 00	
Wages and contingent expenses, assay office at Charlotte.	For subscription to Charlotte Observer, from January 1 to July 1, 1881, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	225	1	}	4 00	1,004 05	
		do	22	258	1				
	INTERNAL REVENUE.								
Salaries and expenses of collectors of internal revenue.	For payment of amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of salaries and expenses of collectors of internal revenue, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882.	Appropriated	21	395	1	.....	6,074 69	1,975,000 00	
	LIFE-SAVING STATIONS.								
Life-Saving Service.....	Compensation of one superintendent of life-saving and life-boat stations on the coasts of Lakes Huron and Superior, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882.	Mar. 3, 1881 ...	21	437	1	}	127 47	.....
		May 4, 1882 ...	22	56	4				
		Aug. 5, 1882 ...	22	259	1				
	<p>NOTE.—The above estimate is for the salary of this superintendent from May 4 to June 30, 1882, under the provisions of the act of May 4, 1882, increasing his compensation from \$1,000 to \$1,800, and was included in the estimate of deficiencies arising under the said act transmitted to Congress by letter of May 8, 1882, but omitted in the deficiency act of August 5, 1882, which provided for similar increase of other superintendents.</p>								
	MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS.								
Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, freight, telegrams, &c.	To pay amount found due by the accounting officers to National Capital Telephone Company, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated .	21	220	1	}	45 70	4,250 00	
		do	21	416	1				

Estimates of appropriations required by the various departments, &c.—Continued.

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	TREASURY DEPARTMENT—Continued.							
	MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS—Continued.							
Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, freight, telegrams, &c.—Continued.	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer from the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, miscellaneous items, 1882," the sum of \$229.73, to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, freight, telegrams, &c., 1882," for the amounts found due by the accounting officers, as follows: Western Union Telegraph Company \$226 03 American Rapid Telegraph Company 3 70							
	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer from the appropriations for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, investigation of accounts and traveling expenses, 1882," a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, and "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, ice, &c., 1882," a sum not exceeding \$450, to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, freight, telegrams, &c., 1883."							
Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, carpets and repairs.	To pay amount found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department for carpets in Treasury building, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	221	1	.....	\$11 90	\$8,000 00
Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, ice, &c.	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer from the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, gas, &c., 1882," so much as may be required to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, ice, &c., 1883," not exceeding the sum of \$3,200.							
Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, fuel, &c.	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer from the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, gas, &c., 1882," so much as may be required to supply a deficiency in the appropriation for "Contingent expenses, Treasury Department, fuel, &c., 1883," not exceeding the sum of \$2,000.							

Expenses of national currency.	Paper, engraving, printing, express charges, and other expenses, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883.	Appropriated.	R. S. 22	1000 812	5172-3 1		23,000 00	120,000 00
	NOTE.—See Appendix A.							
Redemption of worn and mutilated United States notes.	For transportation of United States notes in redemption of mutilated United States notes, due to Adams Express Company, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882.	do	21	398	1		971 00	50,000 00
Propagation of food-fishes.	For the payment of liabilities contracted in the fiscal year 1882 and prior fiscal years.	Appropriated.	R. S. 21	851 440	4396-8 1		3,740 00	151,500 00
		do	22	10	1			
	NOTE.—See Appendix B.							
Payment to William F. Rogers.	To enable the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to William F. Rogers, late colonel Twenty-first Regiment New York Infantry Volunteers, the amount of Treasury draft numbered 9070 of September 28, 1864, issued on Treasury warrant numbered 1463, in payment of a horse lost in the military service, and paid by the United States depository at Baltimore on a forged indorsement, as appears by the affidavit of said William F. Rogers and papers on file in the Treasury Department, \$200.	Submitted					200 00	
Refund to R. T. Aycock....	To refund to R. T. Aycock, master of the schooner George W. Thomas, so much of a fine incurred under section 4325, Revised Statutes, and remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury, but erroneously covered into the Treasury, the sum of \$45.	do					45 00	
Refund to James W. Bell ..	To refund to James W. Bell, master of the sloop Théodosia E. Bell, a fine incurred under section 4334, Revised Statutes, and remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury, but erroneously covered into the Treasury, the sum of \$20.	do					20 00	
Refund to William Robinson.	To refund to William Robinson, master of schooner Dreadnaught, a fine incurred under section 3125, Revised Statutes, and remitted by the Secretary of the Treasury, but erroneously covered into the Treasury, the sum of \$20.	do					20 00	
Reimbursement to Treasurer of the United States.	That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to the Treasurer of the United States, out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$555.85, to reimburse the said Treasurer for an amount appearing on his books as a deficiency, and known as the deficiency of December 5, 1876.	do					555 85	
	NOTE.—See Appendix C.							

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT—Continued.								
MISCELLANEOUS OBJECTS—Continued.								
	To enable the accounting officers of the Treasury to effect a settlement of the account of Daniel R. Chambers as internal-revenue stamp agent at Emory Court-House, Texas, against whom a judgment was obtained in the United States district court for the western district of Texas, on the 27th of April, 1874, for \$296.50 principal, and \$61.14 interest and costs, which said sums were collected and erroneously covered into the Treasury on account of the Post Office Department, authority is hereby granted them to make the necessary entries without involving the expenditure of any money from the Treasury.							
	Total Treasury Department						\$36,881 61	\$2,448,752 00
WAR DEPARTMENT.								
MILITARY ACADEMY.								
Pay of Military Academy..	For the pay of 70 cadets for the period from May 1, 1876, to June 13, 1876, both dates inclusive, being 1 month and 13 days, at \$50.79 per month, the rate then authorized by law, \$5.096; for the pay of 1 cadet for the period from May 1, 1876, to June 24, 1876 (under age until that date), both dates inclusive, 1 month and 24 days, at \$50.79 per month, \$91.42, all for the service of the fiscal year 1876.	Mar. 3, 1875..	18	467	1	.....	5,187 42	235,000 00
NOTE.—Of the amount appropriated, \$11,807.11 was carried to the surplus fund as an unexpended balance. For explanation of this estimate, see Appendix D.								
Buildings and grounds, Military Academy.	For completion of new hospital for cadets, second story: blinds, mantels, hearths, grates, shelving, register, hardware, and painting.	Appropriated.	22	318	1	\$810 25	.....	.....

Basement, outside blinds; addition, inside blinds; main building, studding, plastering, painting, flooring, concreting, brick coping, and stonework.	do				1,840 89
Iron balcony, second story	do				185 00
Iron stairs, two flights in rear	do				485 00
Gas-fixtures	do				300 00
Concreting rear area	do				250 00
Coping for rear wall and retaining wall outside of sally-port	do				454 58
Platform and stair to bath-room and closets	do				75 00
Grading grounds	do				500 00
Inclosing grounds with wall and fencing	do				1,000 00
Ericsson pump	do				220 00
					6,120 72
					612 07
Ten per cent. for contingencies					

6,732 79

15,000 00

NOTE.—A careful estimate of the amount actually required for the purpose (in accordance with plans) was submitted August 9, 1881, amounting to \$22,067.81. Of this amount, Congress granted \$15,000, which has been or will be expended in fitting up the building for present occupation, except the second story, the basement, and grounds. I respectfully recommend that the amount asked for may be granted and made available as early as possible.—(W. Merritt, Superintendent Military Academy, November 21, 1882.)

SIGNAL SERVICE.

Observation and report of storms.

For expenses of the observation and report of storms, by telegraph and signal, for the benefit of commerce and agriculture throughout the United States; for manufacture, purchase, and repair of meteorological and other necessary instruments; for telegraphing reports; for expenses of storm-signals, announcing probable approach and force of storms; for continuing the establishment and connection of stations, at life-saving stations and light-houses; for instrument shelters; for hire, furniture, and expenses of offices, maintained for public use, in cities and ports receiving reports; for river reports; for maps and bulletins, to be displayed in Chambers of Commerce and Boards of Trade rooms, and for distribution; for books, periodicals, newspapers, and stationery, and for incidental expenses not otherwise provided for, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883.

Feb. 9, 1870
Aug. 7, 1882

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NOTE.—The additional sum of \$50,000 is necessary for the support of the Signal Service until June 30, 1883. This arises from the fact that, led by the desire to reduce the cost of the Signal Service, my estimates were too small by \$20,000, and Congress then afterwards cut off \$30,000. Only \$280,000 were appropriated for observation and report of storms, when the sum ought to have been \$330,000. For the half year of 1880 and 1881, when under my control, the expense of the bureau for this service, including hire of clerks, experts, &c., was at the rate of \$360,000 a year, and in 1881 and 1882 it was \$375,000. During these two years the bureau

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	<p>WAR DEPARTMENT—Continued.</p> <p>SIGNAL SERVICE—Continued.</p> <p>was administered in the most economical manner practicable with efficiency. For the present fiscal year Congress appropriated for these purposes but \$330,000, or \$45,000 less than for the cost of the previous year, notwithstanding that the necessary work of the bureau demanded by all sections of the country was enlarged nearly 50 per cent. I have faithfully endeavored to bring the expenditures of the bureau during the five months already passed within the sum given me, by substituting for civilian printers and observers at stations enlisted men, and discharging all janitors and messengers at same, by reducing by one-half the pay of river and cotton-belt observers, by large reduction of pay of night telegraph operators, by reducing to the least possible sum the purchase of instruments, of flags and lanterns and incidental expenses of all kinds, by throwing out of the accounts such telegraphic reports as it seemed least indispensable, by suspending the publication of the New York Graphic Weather Map, by stopping the cotton-belt reports, and in all other ways reducing expenses wherever possible. But even by so doing I find at the end of five months a proportionate over-expenditure of \$20,571.02. This for twelve months will make a deficiency June 30, 1883, of \$49,370.40. The expenditures now made are all necessary for the efficient administration of the bureau, and required by law. They correspond very accurately with like expenditures for the two preceding years during which I have administered the bureau, and without this sum as here estimated there will be a deficiency of about this amount at the end of the fiscal year. I therefore ask that the appropriation be made, which will merely restore the sum for this year, that was previously appropriated, and which is estimated for the coming year.—(W. B. Hazen, Brig. and Bvt Maj. Gen., Chf. Sig. Off., U. S. A.)</p> <p>ARSENALS.</p>							
Allegheny Arsenal, Pittsburgh, Pa.	For grading, curbing, and paving, with Miller's wood pavement, Pennsylvania avenue on arsenal front, between Thirty-ninth and Fortieth streets.	Submitted				\$5,821 20		

For interest on \$5,821.20 at 7 per cent., from October 1, 1871, to June 30, 1883, 12 years and 9 months, at \$407.48 per annum.	.....do				5,195 87	
For grading, curbing, and paving with cobblestones, Thirty-ninth street, on arsenal boundary, between Butler street and Pennsylvania avenue.	.....do				5,168 00	
For grading, curbing, and paving, with cobblestones, to center of Main street, a strip of United States land 9 feet wide, connecting Allegheny Arsenal and spring.	.....do				22 71	
For interest on \$22.71 at 7 per cent., from October 1, 1871, to June 30, 1883, 12 years and 9 months, at \$1.59 per annum.	.....do				20 27	
All for the service of the fiscal year 1883.						\$16,227 55
NOTE.—Items first, second, and third are for work done on the streets by the city of Pittsburgh without consultation with or authority from the United States Government, and the improvements were made with money raised on city bonds, bearing 7 per cent. interest and running ten years, payable, principal and interest, to date of payment at any time.—(Chief of Ordnance.)						
MISCELLANEOUS.						
Support of the Military Prison, Fort Leavenworth, Kans.	For purchase of subsistence stores for 75 prisoners, being the average increase over the number provided for in the regular appropriation, 27,375 rations, at 14 cents each.	{	R. S.	242	{ 1344 to 1361	3,832 50
		{	May 21, 1874	18 48	{ 1	
		{	Aug. 7, 1882	22 320-1	{ 1	
Steam pipe and connections, not anticipated in the estimate for the regular appropriation.	Same acts.....					400 00
Construction and repair of buildings, not anticipated in the estimate for the regular appropriation.	.....do					2,000 00
New washing machinery in the prison laundry .....	.....do					1,005 65
The following items to cover reductions made in the estimate as submitted for the regular appropriation:						
Subsistence stores, oil, wicking and tobacco .....	.....do					2,975 00
Hose, belting, &c., and for repair and extension of steam circulation.	.....do					100 00
Stationery for offices.....	.....do					40 00
Stone for coping prison-wall .....	.....do					70 00
Tools, miscellaneous stores, drainage material, and disinfectants .....	.....do					400 00
Medical supplies.....	.....do					200 00
Donations of \$5 each to prisoners on discharge .....	.....do					150 00
Extra-duty pay to members of the prison guard .....	.....do					71 70
Construction and repair of buildingsdo					500 00
All for the fiscal year 1883.						
						11,744 85
						\$74,309 05

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	<p>WAR DEPARTMENT—Continued.</p> <p>MISCELLANEOUS—Continued.</p>							
Extension of military reservation at Camp Huachuca, Arizona Territory.	For payment to claimants for private property taken by the government in the extension of the military reservation at Camp Huachuca, Arizona Territory, under General Order No. 74, Adjutant-General's Office, November 2, 1869, being the amount awarded by a board of officers convened at said camp in July, 1881, as per their report approved by the War Department.	Submitted					\$1,900 00	
	NOTE.—The report of the Quartermaster-General will be found in Appendix E.							
Pay, &c., of the Army	For the payment of arrears of pay, &c., to officers and soldiers of the United States Army which may be certified to be due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department, being for the service of the fiscal year 1881 and prior years.	Appropriated.	22	263	1		500,000 00	\$550,000 00
Pay of two and three year volunteers.	For payment of amounts for arrears of pay to two and three year volunteers who served in the war of the rebellion, which may be certified to be due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department, being for the service of the fiscal year 1871 and prior years.	Appropriated.	22	262	1		150,000 00	115,000 00
Bounty to volunteers, widows, and legal heirs.	For payment of amounts of bounty to volunteer soldiers who served in the war of the rebellion, and their widows and legal heirs, which may be certified to be due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department, being for the service of the fiscal year 1871 and prior years.	Appropriated.	22	262	1		200,000 00	230,000 00
Bounty under act of July 28, 1866	For payment of amounts of additional bounty under the act of July 28, 1866, which may be certified to be due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department, being for the service of the fiscal year 1871 and prior years.	Appropriated.	22	263	1		75,000 00	80,000 00
	Total War Department.						1,016,792 61	1,579,309 05

NAVY DEPARTMENT.

NAVAL ESTABLISHMENT.

Contingent Marine Corps..	To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of Contingent Marine Corps, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881:	Appropriated.	21	90	1		
	Pennsylvania Company, "Star Union Line"					\$10 41	
	Union Pacific Railroad Company					125 49	
	Central Pacific Railroad Company					132 75	
	Empire Line					15 52	
	Pacific Coast Steamship Company					4 23	
							288 40
	To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of Contingent Marine Corps, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1882:	} Appropriated do	21	338	1}		
	Union Pacific Railroad Company		22	263	1}		
	Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company					180 15	
	Chicago and Northwestern Railroad Company					16 11	
	Central Pacific Railroad Company					3 52	
	Empire Line					112 94	
						7 33	
							320 05
Transportation and recruiting, Marine Corps.	To pay amount found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury on account of Transportation and Recruiting Marine Corps, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881:						
	"New York Herald"	Appropriated.	21	90	1		
							36 00
Contingent, Bureau of Navigation.	To pay amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of Contingent, Bureau of Navigation, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881:	Appropriated.	21	84	1		
	"New York Commercial Advertiser"					28 80	
	Steamer "Ellen"					13 00	
	Empire Line					88 92	
							130 72
Expenses incurred in connection with Arctic exploring expedition.	For disbursements made by Lieutenant John W. Danenhower and Chief Engineer George W. Melville, on account of transportation, subsistence, &c., of themselves and a portion of the survivors of the Arctic exploring steamer "Jeannette," in their journey from the Lena delta to the United States; and for expenses of the court of inquiry convened for investigating the circumstances of the loss of that vessel, &c., under authority of the joint resolution of Congress, approved August 8, 1882.	Submitted					12,564 64
							2 000 00
	Total Navy Department						13,339 81
							56,500 00
	INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.						
Stationery, Department of the Interior.	Stationery for the Department of the Interior and its several bureaus and offices, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883.	Appropriated.	22	246	1		
							17,000 00
	NOTE.—See Appendix F.						47,000 00

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INTERIOR DEPARTMENT—Continued.								
Official Gazette, office of Commissioner of Patents.	Photolithographing or otherwise producing plates for the Official Gazette, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883. NOTE.—See Appendix G.	Appropriated.	22	249	1	\$4,500 00	\$29,000 00
Photolithographing current issues, office of Commissioner of Patents.	Photolithographing or otherwise producing copies of the weekly issues of drawings of patents, designs, and trade-marks, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883. NOTE.—See Appendix G.	Appropriated.	22	249	1	20,000 00	45,000 00
PUBLIC LANDS SERVICE.								
Salaries and commissions of registers and receivers.	Compensation of registers and receivers of local land offices, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883.	R. S.	392	2237	}	26,000 00	480,000 00
		Aug. 7, 1882 ...	22	326	2240 1			
Contingent expenses of land offices.	Incidental expenses of the several land offices, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1883. NOTE.—The appropriation of \$480,000 will prove inadequate to the payment of the compensation of registers and receivers for the fiscal year 1883. The appropriation for the same item of expenditure for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1882, was \$475,481, including a deficiency appropriation of \$25,481, which proved barely sufficient for the compensation of the officers of 97 offices. To provide for the salaries and commissions of registers and receivers of the five additional offices established by act of Congress, during the first session of the Forty-seventh Congress, in Colorado, Dakota, and Nebraska, and another in Colorado, to be established under the provisions of section 2343 of the Revised Statutes, the above additional appropriation will be required.	Appropriated	22	326	1	20,000 00	120,000 00

Surveying the public lands.	For payment of amounts found due by the accounting officers of the Treasury Department on account of surveying the public lands:								
	For the fiscal year 1881.....	Appropriated.	21	273	1	}	2,502 35	302,096 22	
	For the fiscal year 1882.....	do	22	264	1				
		Appropriated.	21	451	1	.....	1,103 19	318,000 00	
Contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Nebraska and Iowa.	For contingent expenses office of surveyor-general of Nebraska and Iowa, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	274	1	.....	77 80	1,500 00	
Contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Colorado.	For contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Colorado, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	274	1	.....	199 50	1,500 00	
Contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Dakota.	For contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Dakota, { being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	274	1	}	24 77	1,756 10	
		do	22	264	1				
Contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Florida.	For contingent expenses, office of surveyor-general of Florida, being a deficiency for the fiscal year 1881.	Appropriated.	21	273	1	.....	95	1,000 00	
INDIAN AFFAIRS.									
Support of Sioux of different tribes, including Santee Sioux of Nebraska.	This amount, for subsistence and civilization of the Sioux Indians { as per agreement ratified by act of Congress, approved February 28, 1877, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883.	Feb. 28, 1877	19	256	5	}	250,000 00	1,225,000 00	
		Appropriated.	22	80	1				
	NOTE.—See Appendix H.								
Transportation of Indian supplies.	This amount for necessary expenses of transportation, under contract, of goods, provisions, and other articles purchased for various Indian tribes, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883.	Appropriated.	22	86	1	.....	50,000 00	275,000 00	
	NOTE.—See Appendix H.								
Telegraphing and purchase of Indian supplies.	Amount found due certain railroad companies for transportation in connection with the purchase of Indian supplies during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1881, being a deficiency for that year, as follows:	Appropriated	21	131	1				
	Due the Union Pacific Railroad Company per certificate of Second Comptroller, No. 6549, July 29, 1882.						\$65 20		
	Due the Central Pacific Railroad Company per certificate of Second Comptroller, No 6523, July 31, 1882.						69 00	134 20	30,000 00
Payment for lands in Indian reservations in Washington.	Amount due Dominick Corcoran per certificate No. 6479, of Second Comptroller, dated July 22, 1882, for value of lands and improvements thereon in the "Muckleshoot Prairie," taken for use of Indians April 7, 1859.	Feb. 23, 1865	13	432	1	.....	320 00	18,611 62	
	NOTE.—An unexpended balance, \$1,700.60, of this appropriation carried to the surplus fund August 25, 1871.								

Estimates of appropriations required by the various departments, &c.—Continued.

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ESTIMATES FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the expenditures.	References to Statutes at Large, or to Revised Statutes.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.
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	INTERIOR DEPARTMENT—Continued.							
Survey and appraisement of Umatilla lands (reimbursable).	For the survey and appraisement of certain lands adjacent to the town of Pendleton, in the State of Oregon, belonging to the Umatilla Indian Reservation, in accordance with the provisions of an act approved August 5, 1882 [in addition to the sum of \$1,500 appropriated by section six of said act], \$2,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary; said sum to be reimbursed to the United States out of the proceeds of the sale of said lands. NOTE.—See Appendix I.	Aug. 5, 1882	22	297	1-7	-----	\$2,000 00	\$1,500 00
Survey and appraisement of Omaha lands (reimbursable).	For the survey and appraisement of a part of the Reservation of the Omaha tribe of Indians, in the State of Nebraska, in accordance with the provisions of an act approved August 7, 1882, \$2,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary; said sum to be reimbursed to the United States out of the proceeds of the sale of said lands. NOTE.—See Appendix J.	{ Aug. 7, 1882 { Submitted	22	341	1-10	} -----	2,500 00	-----
	Total Interior Department						396,362 76	2,896,963 94
	POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT.							
	OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL.							
Contingent expenses Post-Office Department:								
Fuel	Fuel, and for repairs to engine, boilers, and heating apparatus, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883. NOTE.—See Appendix K.	Appropriated.	22	253	1	-----	6,000 00	4,400 00
Painting	Painting and graining files cases, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883. NOTE.—See Appendix K.	do				-----	2,500 00	4,000 00

Furniture.....	Furniture, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883: ... do						2,000 00	4,000 00
	NOTE.—See Appendix K.							
Miscellaneous items	Miscellaneous items, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883. .. do						4,000 00	9,100 00
	NOTE.—See Appendix K.							
Miscellaneous expenses, money-order office.	Miscellaneous expenses, money-order office, including fuel, gas, ice, washing, soap, towels, brushes, express charges, and other necessary office expenses, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883. .. do						8,000 00	6,828 77
	NOTE.—For explanation of the foregoing items for contingent expenses of the Post-Office Department, see Appendix K.							
	Total Post-Office Department						17,500 00	27,828 77
	POSTAL SERVICE.							
	Out of the postal revenues.							
Inland mail transportation, railroad. (Appropriation to be made from postal revenues.)	Scioto Valley Railway Company:							
	For service on route 21051, Ohio, from May 23 to June 30, 1881. .. } June 11, 1880 {	R.S.	773	4002				
		21	177	1		\$312 61		
			178					
	New Jersey Southern Railway Company:						4,856 95	
	For service on routes 7026 and 7029, New Jersey, from October 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company:						421 32	
	For service on route 11005, Virginia, from March 28 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Richmond and Allegheny Railroad Company:						750 96	
	• For service on route 11023, Virginia, from March 5 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Vernon, Greensburg, and Rushville Railroad Company:						138 14	
	For service on route 22015, Indiana, from May 16 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Northern Pacific Railroad Company:						556 24	
	For service on route 26001, Minnesota, from June 15 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company:						1,110 48	
	For service on routes 26005, 26034, and 26035, Minnesota, from July 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Chicago Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha Railway Company:						673 12	
	For service on route 26020, Minnesota, from January 20 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Saint Paul and Duluth Railroad Company:						485 32	
	For service on routes 26033 and 26036, Minnesota, from January 20 to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern Railway Company:						1,842 40	
	For service on route 27003, Iowa, from December 20, 1880, to June 30, 1881. ..							
	Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company:						400 95	
	For service on route 27063, Iowa, from December 20, 1880, to June 30, 1881. ..							

Estimates of appropriations required by the various departments, &c.—Continued.

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ESTIMATES FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the expenditures.	References to Statutes at Large, or to Revised Statutes.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.
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Inland mail transportation, railroad, &c.—Cont'd.	POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT—Continued.							
	POSTAL SERVICE—Continued.							
	<i>Out of the postal revenues—Continued.</i>							
	Fort Madison and Northwestern Railroad Company:							
	• For service on route 27064, Iowa, from January 20 to June 30, 1881.	.....				\$224 45		
	Missouri Pacific Railway Company:							
	For service on route 28040, Missouri, from October 11, 1880, to June 30, 1881.	.....				2,458 97		
	Kansas City, Saint Joseph and Council Bluffs Railroad Company:							
	For service on route 28046, Missouri, from March 1 to June 30, 1881.	.....				236 39		
	Republican Valley Railroad Company:							
	For service on route 34016, Nebraska, from July 16, 1880, to June 30, 1881.	.....				2,571 97		
	Saint Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Railway Company:							
	For service on routes 35003, 35004, and 35005, Dakota, from April 1 to June 30, 1881.	.....				2,068 29		
	Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company:							
	For service on route 39003, New Mexico, from March 24 to June 30, 1881.	.....				1,407 67		
	Oregon Railway and Navigation Company:							
	For service on route 44005, Oregon, from February 15 to June 30, 1881.	.....				3,179 66		
	Southwestern Railroad Company:							
	For service on route 15041, Georgia, from July 1, 1880, to June 30, 1881.	.....				991 80		
	Total amount of audited accounts					24,687 69		
	Estimated amount to pay balances to accrue from corrections in distance schedules, &c.					5,000 00		
	Total amount required for railroad transportation, 1881						\$29,687 69	\$9,665,000 00

Mail messenger service (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.

For amounts paid for authorized service as follows: *

M. Robley, postmaster, Dennis, Iowa, January 11 to June 11, 1881.	June 17, 1880	21	178	1	33 90
J. M. Hull, postmaster, Lake Mills, Iowa, fourth quarter, 1880 ..	Aug. 5, 1882	22	268	1	45 00
A. Royer, sr., postmaster, Miami, Mo., fiscal year 1881					346 76
John Moran, postmaster, Greenup, Ky., June, 1881					19 00
J. R. Rust, postmaster, Nineveh, Va., third quarter 1880					12 50
R. E. Horner, postmaster, Afton, N. J., second quarter 1881					2 78

Total amount of accounts audited					459 94
Estimated amount required to close accounts not audited					500 00

Total amount required for mail-messenger service, 1881 ..

959 54 738,006 98

The Richmond Dispatch, Richmond, Va.:

For publishing proposals for mail messenger service, dated February 10, 1881:	May 17, 1878	20	61	1	25 20
	May 17, 1878	20	61	4	
	June 17, 1880	21	177	1	
	Mar. 3, 1881	21	423	1	
	Aug. 5, 1882	22	268	1	

Estimated amount required to pay for advertising ordered in 1881 for which accounts have not been rendered.	R. S.	738	3,709		2,000 00
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Total amount required for advertising, 1881

2,025 20 41,349 79

Amount of ascertained deficiency September 30, 1882, as per Auditor's annual report to the Postmaster-General. Reference page 555, Report of the Postmaster-General for 1882.	R. S.	776	4,024		1,961 57
Disbursements by postmasters, audited since Sept. 30, as follows:	Mar. 1, 1881	21	376	1	1
	Mar. 6, 1882	22	10	1	

V. C. Thompson, postmaster, Louisville, Ky., July, 1882					9 78
E. S. Toby, postmaster, Boston, Mass., June, 1882					29 67
S. T. Poinier, postmaster, Spartanburg, S. C., third quarter, 1882 ..					202 50
S. A. Whitfield, postmaster, Cincinnati, Ohio, June, 1882					4 94
N. B. Sherwin, postmaster, Cleveland, Ohio, March to June, 1882 ..					20 35
J. G. Bain, postmaster, Martinsville, Ind., second quarter 1882 ..					195 00
W. G. Rice, postmaster, Pierce City, Mo., April, 1882					150 00
John C. Manning, postmaster, San Antonio, Tex., September and October, 1880, and March and June, 1881					34 34
W. J. Scott, postmaster, Denison City, Tex., January, 1882					783 76
H. C. Merrick, postmaster, Crete, Nebr., April, 1882					148 36

Total for which vouchers have been received					3,540 27
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Estimated amount disbursed for which vouchers have not yet been received					500 00
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Total amount required for route agents, 1882

4,040 27 1,320,000 00

Amount of ascertained deficiency September 30, 1882, as shown by the Auditor's annual report to the Postmaster-General for the fiscal year 1882.	May 17, 1878	20	61	1	254 54
	May 17, 1878	20	61	4	
	R. S.	738	3,709		

The Capitolian Advocate, Baton Rouge, La.:

Publishing proposals for mail service, March, 1882	Mar. 1, 1881	21	375	1	42 00
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* This service is provided for in section 627, page 147, Postal Regulations, edition of 1879.

Advertising (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.

Route agents (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.

Advertising (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.

Estimates of appropriations required by the various departments, &c.—Continued.

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ESTIMATES FOR DEFICIENCIES IN APPROPRIATIONS.

General object. (Title of appropriation.)	Detailed objects of expenditure, and explanations.	Date of acts, resolutions, or treaties authorizing or providing for the expenditures.	References to Statutes at Large, or to Revised Statutes.			Estimated amount which will be required for each detailed object of expenditure.	Total amount to be appropriated under each head of appropriation.	Amount appropriated for the fiscal year for which the appropriation is required.
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Advertising (appropriation to be made from postal revenues)—Continued.	POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT—Continued.							
	POSTAL SERVICE—Continued.							
	<i>Out of the postal revenues—Continued.</i>							
	The New York Herald, New York, N. Y.: Publishing proposals for postal supplies, April, May, and June, 1882.					\$141 20		
	The Republican News, Milwaukee, Wis.: Publishing proposals for mail service, March, 1882					20 37		
	The Springfield Union, Springfield, Mass.: Publishing proposals for postal supplies, May, 1882					14 71		
	The Times-Star, Cincinnati, Ohio: Publishing proposals for postal supplies, June, 1882					10 90		
	Total of accounts audited					483 72		
	Estimated amount required to pay for advertising ordered, for which accounts have not been rendered.					2, 000 00		
	Total amount required for advertising, 1882						\$2, 483 72	\$35, 000 00
Stationery (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.	Amount of ascertained deficiency, September 30, 1882, as shown by the Auditor's annual report to the Postmaster-General for the fiscal year 1882.	{ Mar. 1, 1881 ..	R. S. 21	754 375	3, 860 1	}	6, 517 28	50, 000 00
Furniture for post-offices (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.	Amount of ascertained deficiency, September 30, 1882, as shown by the Auditor's annual report to the Postmaster-General for the fiscal year 1882.	{ Mar. 1, 1881 ..	R. S. 21	754 375	3, 860 1	}	716 64	20, 000 00
Engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants (appropriation to be made from postal revenues.	For engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883.	May 4, 1882 ...	22	55	1		500 00	1, 500 00
	NOTE.—See Appendix L.							
	Total Post-Office Department, from the postal revenues						46, 930 74	11, 870, 856 77

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.

JUDICIAL.

Salaries, district judges....	To pay the salary of the United States district judge for the northern district of Georgia, being a deficiency on account of the fiscal year 1883.	{ Appropriated	22	254	1	}	3,081 56	200,000 00
		{ ...do	22	336	1			
	NOTE.—The act of April 25, 1882, creating the northern district of Georgia, authorized the appointment of a district judge at \$3,500 per annum, but made no provision for the payment of his salary, and the above estimate is made to cover the same from the date of the appointment, August 14, 1882, to June 30, 1883.							
	RECAPITULATION.							
State Department.....							20,095 03	515,733 53
Treasury Department.....							36,831 61	2,409,754 05
War Department.....							1,016,792 61	1,579,309 05
Navy Department.....							13,339 81	56,500 00
Interior Department.....							396,362 76	2,896,963 94
Post-Office Department.....							17,500 00	27,828 77
Post-Office Department (from the postal revenues, \$46,930.74)								
Department of Justice.....							3,081 56	200,000 00
Grand total.....							1,504,003 38	7,686,089 34

APPENDIX A.

Explanation of the estimate for "Expenses of national currency" (page 5).

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY,
Washington, December 13, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith copy of a letter from the Chief of the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, in which he estimates that an additional appropriation will be needed to pay the expenses of printing national-bank notes. The usual estimate for the current fiscal year was made previous to the passage of the act of July 12, 1882, "enabling national banking associations to extend their corporate existence, and for other purposes," and a deficiency will arise under the operations of that act. I have, therefore, to recommend the following deficiency appropriation in the usual form: "For expenses of national currency; for paper, engraving, printing, express charges, and other expenses," twenty-five thousand dollars.

Very respectfully,

JOHN J. KNOX,
Comptroller.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
BUREAU OF ENGRAVING AND PRINTING,
Washington, December 9, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to call your attention to the fact that the appropriation for the expenses of national currency for the present year is likely to be insufficient to pay for the work which may be demanded of this bureau. Of the \$120,000 total of appropriation, I understand that the balance on the 27th ult. was only \$76,229.58. The bills of this bureau for currency furnished in the four months ending October 30 amounted to \$47,797.54, including the charges for currency furnished in August, September, and October for new banks organized to take the place of those whose charters had expired.

In November the amount was \$9,101.72—about the usual average—for which, if alone preserved throughout the year, the appropriation would be barely sufficient. But the orders already received for currency for the banks having their charters extended aggregate nearly \$12,000, and as it is understood that these represent only about one-half the orders for charter-extended banks, it may be assumed that the increase by reason of the extra work will be about double that amount. It is proper, therefore, that action should be taken toward securing an additional appropriation to meet this increase, which should not be less than \$25,000 for the work of this bureau alone, and exclusive of paper.

The balance above stated—\$76,229.58—is more than should properly be considered in showing the proportion available for the remainder of the year, inasmuch as it comprises repayments for plates to be paid from it, in addition to the regular currency bills; and besides this, it is understood that there is an order for paper which may have to be paid for out of the appropriation.

Very respectfully.

O. H. IRISH,
Chief of Bureau.

Hon. JOHN J. KNOX,
Comptroller of the Currency.

APPENDIX B.

In relation to the estimate for "Propagation of food-fishes" (page 5).

UNITED STATES COMMISSION OF FISH AND FISHERIES,
Washington, D. C., January 3, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith an estimate of the amount required to meet certain liabilities incurred by this commission in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1882, and prior fiscal years, amounting to \$3,740, with the request that the same be embodied in the deficiency bill about to be presented to Congress.

Of the sum asked, the major portion is for payment to railroad companies who fur-

nished transportation on "requests" issued by this commission, in the distribution of food-fishes over the country. These requests we have had much trouble in collecting, owing to the carelessness of the roads in sending us their bills for settlement. The amounts due the railroads we were unable to definitely allow for, as the service was performed on a mileage basis; the number of miles traversed we could not determine until we heard from the railroad companies. The remainder of the amount asked for will be required for the payment of materials and labor furnished principally at our California stations and for traveling expenses. Owing to the nature of the operations of the commission, it is very difficult for us to arrange our expenditures by the fiscal year. The seasons of the spawning of fish occur at different periods, according to latitude, and the operations of the commission in hatching are commenced first in southern latitudes, and thence are continued northward to such places and at such times as they can be successfully carried on. These constant changes of stations involve a great many expenditures at a time when all possible retrenchment should be made. The commission, however, has to take advantage of all favorable changes in the fisheries, which fact Congress has appreciated by heretofore making its appropriations to cover two fiscal years instead of but one, thus enabling us to meet the many bills contracted just at the close of the fiscal year. The last appropriation bill of the commission was presented to Congress in a form to permit the same arrangement to be made for this year, but owing to the sundry civil bill not being passed till August, the clause which usually enabled us to meet these demands was of no avail.

Very respectfully,

SPENCER F. BAIRD,
Commissioner.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

APPENDIX C.

In relation to the estimate to reimburse the Treasurer United States for the deficit of December 5, 1876 (page 5).

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1883.

HON. FRANK HISCOCK,

Chairman Committee on Appropriations, House of Representatives:

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith, for the favorable consideration of your committee, copy of letter of the Treasurer of the United States of the 16th instant, transmitting letter of A. U. Wyman, late Treasurer of the United States (copy herewith), requesting relief from liability on account of the theft of \$555.85 of the funds of the government occurring during his incumbency of said office, and for which he is still held accountable under his bond on the books of the department.

In order to extend the relief asked, I would respectfully suggest that the following clause be inserted in the deficiency bill when the same shall be under consideration by your committee:

"That the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to pay to the Treasurer of the United States out of any moneys in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated the sum of five hundred and fifty-five dollars and eighty-five cents, to reimburse the said Treasurer for an amount appearing on his books as a deficiency and known as the deficiency of December 5, 1876."

Very respectfully,

CHAS. J. FOLGER, *Secretary.*

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,
Washington, January 16, 1883.

SIR: At the request of my immediate predecessor in this office, I have the honor to forward herewith his letter of this date addressed to you, in which he recounts the circumstances attending the loss, while he was Treasurer, of a certain sum of public money, and asks favorable action on your part, in recommending that Congress extend him relief by inserting in the deficiency appropriation bill at the present session a clause authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to pay to the Treasurer the amount of the deficiency caused by such loss, viz, \$555.85.

The records and information in possession of this office show that the statements contained in the letter are correct, and it is recommended that the request be granted and favorable action be recommended to Congress.

Of the many precedents established by Congress in extending relief in similar cases to fiscal officers of the government, the following instances are referred to:

Act March 3, 1871, deficiency act (16 Stat., 516), clause reimbursing F. E. Spinner, Treasurer United States, for amount of deficit paid by him.

Act March 5, 1874 (18 Stat., 532), relief of Thomas Hillhouse, assistant treasurer United States, New York.

Act June 9, 1880 (21 Stat., 553), relief of George Eyster, assistant treasurer United States at Philadelphia.

Act March 2, 1881 (21 Stat., 638), relief of Charles Clinton, late assistant treasurer United States, New Orleans.

Act February 11, 1882 (Private Laws, No. 3), relief of T. P. Chandler, late assistant treasurer United States, Boston, Mass.

Act August 5, 1882, deficiency act (Forty-seventh Congress, section 1, chapter 390), relief of F. E. Spinner, late Treasurer United States.

Very respectfully,

JAMES GILFILLAN,
Treasurer of the United States.

HON. CHAS. J. FOLGER,
Secretary of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, D. C.,
January 16, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following statement in regard to a deficiency occurring in the office of the Treasurer of the United States during my incumbency of that office; this statement being copied from the report of my successor, the present Treasurer of the United States, for the fiscal year ending the 30th June, 1877: On the 7th December, 1876, information was received by telegraph from the National Bank of Illinois, at Chicago, that a package received by that bank from this office, purporting to contain \$11,990 in United States notes, was found, when opened, to contain blank paper. Further correspondence and the return of the package established the fact that the discrepancy was in a remittance from this office, by express, on the 5th December, in return for notes redeemed. The matter was at once brought to the attention of the Secretary of the Treasury, who placed the investigation in charge of the chief of the secret service division of the department. This investigation was at once commenced, and included all points, from the division in this office in which the package was made up to its place of destination, and included an examination and surveillance of all persons in any way connected with the handling of the package. It was nearly evident at first that the abstraction of the money and substitution of the blank paper had been made before the package left this office, and the revelations of the inquiry only tended to strengthen this belief. The investigation, faithfully conducted for one month by the chief of the secret service in connection with this office, culminated in the return, on Sunday, the 7th of January, to the Treasurer, of \$11,200 of the money in a package left at his door by a party not seen. Circumstances in connection with this return pointed so clearly to one F. S. Winslow that he was, on the next day, arrested. On his person was found an additional portion of the stolen money. The money taken consisted almost wholly of United States notes of the denomination of \$100. Although it has never been found practicable to keep a record of the numbers of the notes contained in remittances, it happened that, in the present instance, it was possible to ascertain, beyond a reasonable doubt, the numbers of these \$100 notes, and lists of those numbers were printed and furnished the different Treasury offices and to prominent banks and bankers in all parts of the country, in order that the stolen notes might be traced in case they were used. This becoming known to the thief, together with the knowledge that he must have had that he was so closely watched, that it would not have been possible for him to use the money to any extent or to abscond with it, undoubtedly had effect in inducing the return of the package. Subsequently Winslow made a confession of his guilt, and was sentenced to one and one-half years' imprisonment.

It may be proper to state here the method used and precautions taken in this office in regard to remittances of this character. The money to the required amount is first counted by the shipping teller, who places it with a schedule of contents in an envelope or box, which is passed to a second clerk unsealed. This second clerk counts the money, verifies the count by his initials upon the schedules, and seals the package in the center with one seal. The package thus sealed is passed to the general sealer, who places upon it, at each end, a seal of a description different from that of the first seal. The sealing completed, the package is then passed to another clerk, who addresses it and retains the care of it until it is delivered to the agent of the express company, this delivering being checked and receipted for upon a book kept by another clerk, containing a list of the packages required for the day's shipment. At the time of the abstraction of this money Winslow was, and had been for some two or three

months, employed in addressing the packages, he having at the time of his appointment filed with the department most satisfactory testimonials as to his honesty and capacity, and being strongly recommended otherwise, and personally by gentlemen of standing and influence. Nothing was then known to this office of a previous career, which, had it been known, would have prevented his employment in this office in any capacity.

It appeared from the developments in the course of the investigation, and afterwards, that Winslow had, previously to the date of the abstraction of the money, prepared an envelope resembling almost exactly the envelopes used in the office for such remittances, had placed in it the blank papers, had sealed it with the seals of the office, to which he must surreptitiously have obtained access, and had held it awaiting the opportunity for its use; that when the true envelope reached him in the ordinary course of business he substituted the prepared package, relying upon the almost perfect imitation to throw suspicion upon others than himself. It was thus evident that the scheme was conceived some time before being carried out, and that it was a deliberately planned and boldly executed plan and not the result of any sudden temptation.

The loss arising from this theft was \$555.85, stated as follows:

Amount stolen		\$11,990 00
Amount returned to Treasury in package left at his door.....	\$11,200 00	
Found on person of Winslow when arrested, cash	200 00	
Found on person of Winslow, railroad ticket, proceeds of.....	7 50	
Winslow's salary, January 1st to 8th	26 65	
		<hr/> 11,434 15
Deficiency		555 85

It is respectfully submitted that the loss above referred to occurred through no fault of mine or want of care or diligence on my part, and that I should not be held responsible, pecuniarily or otherwise, for a breach of trust by one of the many hundreds of employés of the office who were handling money, and all of whom were of good repute and believed to be trustworthy. Promptness in investigation and diligence in prosecuting the search for the offender resulted in the return to the Treasury of the amount stolen, with the exception of a few hundred dollars which had been spent by the thief, and which could not be recovered.

I have, therefore, respectfully to ask that the honorable Secretary of the Treasury will recommend to Congress that a clause be inserted in the deficiency appropriation bill, providing for reimbursement to the Treasurer of the United States of this amount of \$555.85 standing as a deficiency on his books, and that I be thus relieved from any liability for this amount.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. U. WYMAN.

HON. CHAS. J. FOLGER,
Secretary of the Treasury.

APPENDIX D.

Explanation of the estimate for \$5,187.42 for pay of the Military Academy (page 5).

WASHINGTON, October 21, 1882.

To the Honorable SECRETARY of WAR:

SIR: I have the honor to request, in behalf of the members of the class of 1880 of the United States Military Academy, that the honorable the Secretary of War will renew his request to Congress of December, 1879, repeated to the present Congress during its last session, based upon a recommendation of Maj. Gen. John M. Schofield, Superintendent of the United States Military Academy, for an appropriation to cover a deficiency in pay of the cadets of said class for services rendered prior to June 14, 1876; each of said cadets having incurred the expenses of travel to West Point, and of board and clothing while there, from dates varying from April 15 to 25, upon the official communication from the War Department, signed by the Hon. Alphonso Taft, Secretary of War, informing them that their pay would commence from said varying dates in the month of April, 1876, provided certain requirements of the contract, which requirements were by them complied with.

I have the honor to be, sir, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEORGE W. UPTON,
Adjutant-General's Office.

[Indorsement.]

WAR DEPARTMENT,
ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
October 31, 1892.

Respectfully returned to the Secretary of War, inviting attention to the accompanying correspondence heretofore had on this subject. I recommend that such action be taken as will secure to the petitioners that which seems to be justly theirs.

R. C. DRUM,
Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WEST POINT,
UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY,
West Point, N. Y., October 15, 1879.

SIR: In the year 1876 the candidates for admission to the Military Academy were ordered to report at West Point in the month of April, and passed their examination for admission in the latter part of that month, two months before the usual time. They were immediately placed on duty and under instruction to prepare them for the visit of the corps of cadets to the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia. But these candidates were not formally admitted to the Academy until the 14th of June, the date of graduation of the first class of that year. They were thus subjected to all the usual expenses of cadets, without receiving any pay, for a period of six weeks after they had passed their examination for admission. Some of these cadets made the deficiency good by extra receipts of money from home, while others are still in debt to the treasurer of the Academy.

Of the cadets admitted at that time, forty-two are now in the corps. Of these, nineteen might lawfully have been admitted on the 1st of May to fill vacancies then existing. The remaining twenty-three could not be admitted till the 14th of June, when their predecessors graduated.

It is respectfully submitted that the nineteen are lawfully entitled to a correction of their record of admission to the 1st of May, when they were *actually* admitted, and that the remaining twenty-three are entitled *in equity* to pay for the six weeks preceding their admission, during which time they were on duty.

If these views are approved by the honorable Secretary of War, I respectfully suggest that Congress be asked to make the necessary appropriation to cover this deficiency in the pay of these cadets.

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Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. M. SCHOFIELD,
Major General U. S. A.,
Superintendent Military Academy, Commanding.

The ADJUTANT GENERAL,
Washington, D. C.

APPENDIX E.

Explanation of estimate for extension of military reservation at Camp Huachuca, Arizona (page 10).

WAR DEPARTMENT,
QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., July 10, 1892.

To the Honorable SECRETARY OF WAR,
Washington, D. C.:

SIR: I have the honor to return the inclosed papers covering claims of various parties for value of certain improvements, &c., at Camp Huachuca, Arizona, and to report that General Order No. 74, of 1869, Adjutant-General's Office, directs, "That hereafter no squatter or citizen will be permitted to enter or reside upon a military reservation unless he be in the employment of the government or permitted by the department commander, in which case his residence thereon must cease upon his being discharged or the permission withdrawn.

"Department commanders will exercise a general supervision of all military reservations within the limits of their commands, and will use force to remove squatters or trespassers when in their judgment it becomes necessary.

"Where parties are already in possession, with valuable improvements, the department commander will cause an investigation to be made and submit each case separately for the decision and orders of the Secretary of War."

By Special Order No. 76; of 1881, Department of Arizona, a board of officers was convened to meet at Camp Huachuca "to investigate and report upon the claim to the lands occupied by certain citizens located upon the reservation at that point, to appraise the value of any improvements made by them, and to assess the amount of damage, if any, done to timber or other property," &c.

From the accompanying papers it appears seven claims were presented to the board:

No.	Name.	Character.	Amount claimed.
1	William Shaughnessy.....	Log cabin and stockade.....	\$250 00
2	Jos. Slanan.....	Two houses, road, and well.....	500 00
3	John E. Hand.....	Acequia, garden, fencing, &c.....	700 00
4	Tanner & Hayes.....	Two log cabins, fences, ditches, &c.....	.....
5	John Conley.....	Road, fencing, house, kiln, acequia, &c.....	1,500 00
6	D. D. Morgan.....	Fencing and crops.....	250 00
7	Morgan & Maddox.....	Road, house, and garden.....	3,000 00

The board, it appears, proceeded to the spot, and, after personal inspection, submit the following findings:

Name.	Findings.	Award.
William Shaughnessy	Improvements found to consist of an inferior cabin and small inclosure called a corral, which have evidently been used for the purpose of shelter for wood-choppers and guarding animals used in hauling it away.	None.*
Joseph Slanan	Improvements consisted of two inferior log huts, one well, and road.	None.†
John E. Hand	The board found nothing upon which this claim was based	None.
Tanner & Hayes	Improvements consisted of two log cabins, two gardens (fenced), 10 or 15 acres broken up and partly under cultivation, and about one mile of irrigating ditch.	\$750
John Conley	Improvements found to be as set forth in claimants statements..	500
D. D. Morgan	The board decided not to appraise the value of any garden crops now growing and to recommend that parties in Tanner's Cañon having gardens there be allowed to gather their crops this season, and the proper parties were informed of this decision.	None.
Morgan & Maddox.	Improvements found to consist of a log house, the cutting and grading of road up the cañon about three miles over rock and difficult country.	650

*Improvements considered of no value.

†Benefit derived by claimant from cutting wood exceeds value of improvements. The road is a natural one, no evidence found of any work having been performed on it.

The board is opinion that the parties to whom it recommends that anything be paid have not done any assessable amount of damage to timber or other public property.

The proceedings and findings having received the approval of the department commander, I recommend that Congress be asked, as in similar cases, for money sufficient to pay the awards, amounting in gross to \$750 + \$500 + \$650 = \$1,900.

For ready reference to a precedent, I invite attention to the act approved February 19, 1873, "An act to provide for the payment for certain property taken by the government for the extension of the military reserve at Camp Mohave, in the Territory of Arizona," U. S. Stat. 17, 42d Congress, 2d session, chap. 169.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

RUFUS INGALLS,
Quartermaster-General, Bvt. Maj. Gen., U. S. A.

[First indorsement.]

The proceedings of the board of officers convened by Special Orders No. 76, Headquarters Department of Arizona, July 6, 1881, are approved, and the awards of the board will be included in the estimates to be submitted to Congress in December next.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN,
Secretary of War.

WAR DEPARTMENT, July 15, 1882.

APPENDIX F.

Explanation of the estimate for "Stationery, Department of the Interior" (page 11).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, October 21, 1882

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following estimate, with a recommendation that the necessary legislation be requested in order to provide for the deficiency:

For stationery for the Department of the Interior and its several bureaus and offices, \$17,000, being a deficiency for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883.

In making the estimate for the stationery required for this department during the current fiscal year, the large increase in the number of clerks in the Pension Office was not anticipated, and hence no provision was made for the additional quantity of supplies that will be required on account of that increase.

The cost of the stationery furnished to the Pension Office during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1882, when there were 765 employes, was \$12,786.42. There are now in the Pension Office 1,559 employes, and the Commissioner of Pensions estimates that stationery to the value of \$30,000 will be required for the Pension Office during the current fiscal year. This amount exceeds the value of the supplies furnished to that office during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1882, by \$17,213.58.

The sum of \$47,000 was appropriated for the purchase of stationery for this department during the current fiscal year, and with this appropriation supplies of stationery are purchased under contracts and issued as required to the following offices:

Office of the Secretary; Patent Office; Pension Office; General Land Office; Office of Indian Affairs; Bureau of Education; Office of Commissioner of Railroads; the offices of 60 Indian agents, and for 101 local land offices.

Very respectfully,

GEO. M. LOCKWOOD,
Chief Clerk

HON. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX G.

Explanation of the estimates of the Commissioner of Patents (page 11).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., October 18, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimates (in duplicate) of deficiencies in appropriations for this office for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883.

For photolithographing or otherwise producing plates for the Official Gazette, \$4,500.

At the present ratio of increase the appropriation of \$29,000 for the Gazette for the present fiscal year will be insufficient to continue the publication throughout the year. Of this appropriation there was paid to J. R. Osgood & Co., for 714 pages of illustrations of the Gazette for the months of July and August, \$5,783.40, leaving a balance of \$23,216.60. Taking these months as a basis there will be 4,284 illustrated pages during the year of this publication; which at the present contract price, \$7.25 per page, will amount as follows: 4,284 less 714 = 3,570, at \$7.25 per page, \$25,882.50; \$2,665.90 in excess of the appropriation.

In view of the fact that the business of the office is usually lighter for the summer months, and also that the weekly issues are steadily increasing, it would not be safe to estimate for less than 4,500 pages, which (less the 714 pages already paid for) would amount, at \$7.25 per page, to a deficiency of \$4,231.90.

As it is impossible to state whether this sum would cover the deficiency, in view of the steady increase in the number of patents issued weekly, I have submitted an estimate for \$4,500 for this publication.

The same reasons which have operated to cause the deficiency in the appropriation for the Gazette, to wit, the large increase in the number of patents issued, operate also to cause a deficiency in the appropriation for photolithographing or otherwise producing copies of drawings of the weekly issues of patents, designs, and trademarks; and taking the ratio of increase in the number of patents issued during the last six months as a basis, there will be a deficit of \$20,005.96. I have therefore estimated for \$20,000.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

E. M. MARBLE,
Commissioner.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX H.

In relation to the estimates for "Support of Sioux of different tribes," &c., and "Transportation of Indian supplies" (page 13.)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, October 17, 1882.

SIR: In response to the request contained in your letter of the 12th instant, I have the honor to submit herewith deficiency estimates, in duplicate, of appropriation required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883, as follows: \$250,000 for subsistence and civilization of the Sioux, and 50,000 for transportation of Indian supplies.

Article 5 of the agreement with the Sioux, dated February 28, 1877, provides for furnishing each individual with a daily ration of 1½ pounds beef, one-half pound of flour, one-half pound of corn, and for every 100 rations 4 pounds of coffee, 8 pounds of sugar, and 3 pounds of beans, or, in lieu of said articles, the equivalent thereof, in the discretion of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs.

According to the reports of the agents there are now on the several Sioux reservations 26,683 persons, who, under article 5 of the above agreement, are entitled to 29,217,885 pounds beef (gross), 4,869,647½ pounds each of flour and corn, 292,179 pounds of beans, 389,572 pounds of coffee, and 779,144 pounds of sugar, costing at contract prices \$1,558,847.68. The amount appropriated by Congress for subsistence of the Sioux, including transportation of all supplies from termination of railroad, or steamboat transportation to agencies, is \$1,075,000, of which at least \$50,000 will be required for transportation, making a deficiency of \$533,847.68 under the agreement. In regard to the item of \$50,000 for transportation of Indian supplies, it is submitted that the amount provided for that purpose for the current fiscal year, namely, \$275,000, will fall short of the expenditures to be incurred in the amount named. I respectfully request that a copy of this communication be transmitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, with the estimates herewith contained.

Very respectfully,

H. PRICE,
Commissioner.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX I.

Explanation of the estimates for "survey and appraisement of Umatilla lands" (page 14).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, November 25, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of a communication from the Commissioner of Indian Affairs touching the insufficiency of the sum appropriated in section 6 of the act entitled "An act authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to dispose of certain lands adjacent to the town of Pendleton, in the State of Oregon, belonging to the Umatilla Indian Reservation, and for other purposes," approved August 5, 1882, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of survey, appraisement, &c., of the lands to be disposed of under said act.

The amount appropriated to carry the provisions of the law into effect is \$1,500, reimbursable from the proceeds of sale of lands, while it appears that inquiry into the matter, conducted by proper officers of the department, as stated by the Commissioner, shows that the sum of \$3,500 will be required for this purpose.

The Commissioner recommends that an item of appropriation be inserted in some one of the appropriation bills, to be brought to the attention of Congress at its coming session, setting aside the additional sum of \$2,000 to that already appropriated, for the object in question, and a draft of such item is herewith submitted.

Concurring in the views of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, I respectfully request that the item of appropriation be added to the estimates of this department to be brought to the attention of Congress at its approaching session.

Very respectfully,

H. M. TELLER,
Secretary.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, November 22, 1882.

SIR: By an act of Congress approved August 5, 1882 (22 Stats., p. 297), authority is had for the survey, appraisalment, and sale [with the consent of the Indians], of so much of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, in the State of Oregon, lying and being contiguous to or in the vicinity of the town of Pendleton, as may be necessary to allow said town proper and needful growth, not exceeding 640 acres. In the proper execution of said act, and by the express terms thereof, the tract thus to be disposed of must be surveyed and laid out into lots and blocks, in a manner to correspond, as near as may be, to the plans and survey of said town of Pendleton, as laid out and established; and when this is done, the said lots and blocks are, by the further provisions of said act, to be appraised by three disinterested persons, to be appointed for the purpose, and who are required to go in person upon the ground, determine the value of each lot or parcel, and return lists particularly describing each lot, block, and parcel, and exhibiting the appraised value thereof as determined by them. The said lists having been returned and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, then follows the sale of the lands, as provided in section 2 of the act.

Aware of the importance of a speedy fulfillment of the provisions of the act, to the end that all cause for existing complaint on the part of the Indians, on account of encroachments by the people of Pendleton, might be removed, prompt steps were taken by the department to ascertain the probable cost of the required survey, and also to procure the consent of the Indians to the proposed measures. The result may be thus stated: The surveyor-general of Oregon, having engaged a competent surveyor and civil engineer to make personal examination of the ground and estimate the probable cost of the surveys, &c., declares that in his opinion the work cannot be properly done at a less expense than, say, \$2,250. This estimate includes the cost of necessary monuments and stakes, platting, and other incidental work. He suggests that the plan of laying out the lots and blocks to correspond with the plans and surveys of the town makes the work far more intricate, and involves a much greater expense than if the work were to be "square" throughout.

But \$1,500 was appropriated [section 6 of the act] for the entire work of survey, appraisalment, and sale, a sum entirely insufficient, as appears, to meet the cost of the survey alone.

It therefore becomes necessary to ask for an additional appropriation, and, accordingly, I have had prepared a draft of an item for insertion in one of the appropriation bills [two copies of which are inclosed herewith], and would respectfully request that proper steps be taken to have the same presented to Congress at the approaching session.

I am of opinion that the cost of the appraisalment will not exceed \$1,250. Add to this the estimated cost of the surveys, &c., and our estimate for the entire work is found to be \$3,500.

As has been stated, the sum of \$1,500 has already been appropriated. Deduct this from the estimated amount required, and we have the sum asked for—\$2,000.

This report and estimate are submitted in compliance with department instructions indorsed on office report of the 18th instant. * * *

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. PRICE,
Commissioner.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX J.

Explanation of estimate for "survey and appraisalment of Omaha Lands" (page 14).

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, November 25, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a letter of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs of the 21st instant, submitting an item of appropriation in the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to defray the expenses of survey and appraisalment of a part of the Omaha Indian Reservation in Nebraska, to enable the department to carry out the provisions of the act of August 7, 1882, entitled "An act to provide for the sale of a part of the reservation of the Omaha tribe of Indians in the State of Nebraska, and for other purposes."

Work under the act cannot be accomplished without funds to meet the expense; and persons employed to do it cannot be expected to wait for their pay out of proceeds of sales of the lands to be sold on deferred payments.

I respectfully recommend that the item for the appropriation requested be added to the estimates of this department to be submitted at the approaching session of Congress.

Very respectfully,

H. M. TELLER,
Secretary.

HON. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, September 18, 1882.

SIR: I have the honor to invite your attention to the act approved August 7, 1882 (22 Stats., p. 341), entitled "An act to provide for the sale of a part of the reservation of the Omaha tribe of Indians in the State of Nebraska and for other purposes."

In this connection it may not be improper to state that authority existed in the act of June 10, 1872 (17 Stat., 391), for the sale of a portion of said reservation (not exceeding 50,000 acres) to be taken from the western portion thereof, and that under the provisions of said act said lands were set off and appraised under the direction of the department. An appropriation to defray the expenses of the appraisal and sale was made March 3, 1873 (17 Stat., 517).

The total quantity of land appraised under authority of said act was 49,712.43 acres, at an aggregate value of \$123,085.23, ranging from \$1 to \$5 per acre.

In the spring of 1873 the lands were advertised for sale and the first day of June of that year was fixed as the last day on which proposals would be received by the department. A large number of proposals were received, but bids for only 300.72 acres were accepted by the department, the rest not meeting the requirements of the law.

It was thereafter held by this bureau that on a failure to sell the lands upon the offering above referred to, the act of June 10, 1872, became inoperative, and that the remainder of the lands thus offered could not be sold under its provisions.

The question having been submitted to the department for a decision, the honorable Acting Secretary (Bell), on June 2, 1881, replies as follows: "While I am of opinion that authority exists with the Secretary of the Interior to sell the lands of the Omaha Indians which were surveyed, set off, and appraised, under the act of June 10, 1872 (17 Stat., 391), it appears that there has been no appropriation to meet the expense of making such sale since that of March 3, 1873 (17 Stat., 517), hence no steps can be taken at this time towards the further execution of said act."

For as much as that was the view held by the department, further legislation was sought and various additional provisions were secured.

It is estimated that somewhere near the same quantity of land may be sold under the provisions of the recent act, as was authorized to be sold by the original act, but instead of drawing the line between the portion to be sold, and that to be retained as in the original act, *i. e.*, by running along the section lines from north to south, the right of way of the Sioux City and Nebraska Railroad Company marks the eastern limit of territory that may be sold under the terms of the present act; said right of way crosses the reservation diagonally in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction.

In the appraisement of 1872, the lands were appraised in tracts of 160 acres (except in cases where fractions and lots occurred), whereas, under the present act, it is required that they shall be appraised in 40-acre tracts.

The entire reservation, including the lands to be sold, was surveyed under the direction of the General Land Office, in the year 1866, and the appraisement of 1872 was made with the assistance afforded by plats of that survey, showing subdivisions, furnished by this office.

It is presumed that a new survey of the reservation for the purposes of the appraisement will be unnecessary, but it is impossible to state to what extent the marks of the old survey may have been obliterated or destroyed. No doubt some of the lines will have to be retraced, and not unlikely it will be found necessary to employ a surveyor for that purpose, as was done by the appraisers of 1872, with the sanction of this office. However, that matter can be determined by the commissioners, whose duty it will be to make the new appraisement upon an examination of the ground.

It is difficult to see how the appraisement of these lands can be proceeded with in the absence of a specific appropriation to meet the expenses that will necessarily be incurred. True, the act provides (sec. 3) that the expenses incident to and necessary for carrying out its provisions, including clerk hire, shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of the lands, but as it is also provided that the lands may be sold upon deferred payments, it is possible that a period of a year or more might elapse before a sufficient sum would be received to defray the expenses referred to; hence the difficulty in the way of proceeding with the appraisement during the present season, or until such time as Congress shall appropriate the needed means.

In the mean time, however, if it be thought desirable, the consent of the Indians to the provisions of the act as required in sections 1 and 5, might be obtained, and the allotments selected as contemplated in section 5, and approved, so that if any Indians desire to take lands *west* of the railroad right of way, as they are permitted to do if they shall so elect, they may do so at once and thereby obviate any delay that might otherwise result when the time arrives for proceeding with the sale of the lands as authorized.

The whole matter is respectfully submitted for your consideration, with request for instructions in the premises.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. PRICE,
Commissioner.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,
Washington, November 21, 1882.

SIR: Referring to office report of September 18, last (copy herewith), in the matter of the survey, appraisement and sale of a portion of the Omaha Indian Reservation in Nebraska (authority for which is had in the act approved August 7, 1882), in which attention is called to the difficulty in the way of proceeding with the work of appraisement, &c., owing to the fact that no specific appropriation has been made to meet the necessary expenses thereof, I have now the honor to submit herewith a draft of an item intended for insertion in one of the appropriation bills, with request that the necessary steps be taken to have the same presented to Congress early in the approaching session.

In this connection I would respectfully suggest that any money that may be appropriated to defray the expenses of the survey, appraisement, and sale of the lands in question, is, by the terms of the act authorizing such survey, appraisement, and sale, reimbursable to the United States out of the proceeds of the sale, and should be considered as being in the nature of a loan, which it virtually would be.

Should the amount asked for be more than sufficient to meet actual expenses, the balance will, of course, be covered into the Treasury.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. PRICE,
Commissioner.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

APPENDIX K.

In relation to the estimate for "contingent expenses of the Post-Office Department" (pages 14 and 15.)

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith estimates for deficiencies in the appropriations for contingent expenses Post-Office Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883, together with a letter of the superintendent and disbursing clerk explaining the same.

Very respectfully,

T. O. HOWE,
Postmaster-General.

The Honorable SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF DISBURSING CLERK AND SUPERINTENDENT,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1883.

Hon. T. O. HOWE,
Postmaster-General:

SIR: I have the honor to report that this department will require appropriations in the deficiency bill for the current fiscal year, under the head of contingent expenses, of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, as follows:

For fuel and repairs to heating apparatus.....	\$6,000
For painting and graining files cases.....	2,500
For miscellaneous items.....	4,000
For furniture.....	2,000
For miscellaneous expenses Money-Order Office.....	3,000

The deficiency for "fuel and repairs to heating apparatus," the largest item, is occasioned by the following facts, viz:

1st. The appropriation has not been increased for many years past, while the space to be warmed has been increased almost yearly for the last five years; first, by the addition of one entire floor to the building (the basement having been deepened and fitted up for office rooms); and second, by the removal of the city post-office from this building, and the occupation by this department of the space previously occupied and warmed by the city post-office.

2d. The contract price of coal the past two years (\$6.46 and \$6.73 per ton) is almost double the prices paid previously for, perhaps, six or eight years.

3d. The increased space to be warmed now necessitates the running of the heating apparatus and "fan wheel" constantly day and night, as in no other way can the apparatus, with the greatly-increased demand upon it, keep the building comfortably warm.

4th. The appropriation for "fuel and repairs to heating apparatus" being insufficient for all the purposes for which it is intended, the "repairs" have been neglected for the past two or three years, until now a thorough overhauling and complete repair of the apparatus is an absolute necessity during the coming summer.

For a full explanation of the necessity for the above-named appropriation, and for the others enumerated in my estimate for deficiencies, I most earnestly ask that I may be permitted at the proper time to go before the Committees on Appropriations.

It is a fact well known to all the officers of this department that the appropriations for its contingent expenses are all insufficient, they not having been increased to meet the constantly growing demands of this rapidly growing department.

Very respectfully,

J. O. P. BURNSIDE,
Disbursing Clerk and Superintendent.

APPENDIX L.

In relation to the estimate for "engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants" for the Post-Office Department (page 18).

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF POSTMASTER-GENERAL,
Washington, D. C., January 20, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith a letter of the Third Assistant Postmaster-General showing an estimated deficiency in the appropriation for engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883.

Very respectfully,

T. O. HOWE,
Postmaster-General.

The Honorable SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

POST-OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE OF THIRD ASSISTANT POSTMASTER-GENERAL,
Washington, D. C., January 19, 1883.

SIR: I have the honor to call your attention to the present condition of the appropriation for "engraving, printing, and binding drafts and warrants" for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1883, as shown by the following statement:

Amount of appropriation	\$1,500 00
Amount actually expended to date	\$1,170 40
Amount estimated for warrants ordered but not yet delivered...	645 00
	<hr/> 1,815 40
Deficiency	315 40
To which should be added amount that may be required to fill necessary orders for drafts and warrants before the close of the fiscal year	184 60
	<hr/> 500 00
Making a total estimated deficiency of	500 00

I respectfully suggest that this matter be brought to the notice of Congress, in order that an appropriation to cover the deficiency may be provided for during the present session.

It is hardly necessary to state that a sufficient supply of drafts and warrants is essential to the performance of business in this office, a very large portion of the postal indebtedness during every quarter being paid by means of them. They are not purchased under contract, but are furnished as they are needed and ordered by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing of the Treasury Department.

Very respectfully, &c.,

A. D. HAZEN,

Third Assistant Postmaster-General.

Hon. T. O. HOWE,
Postmaster-General.

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